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Update on ASF epidemiological situation in Latvia – 2016

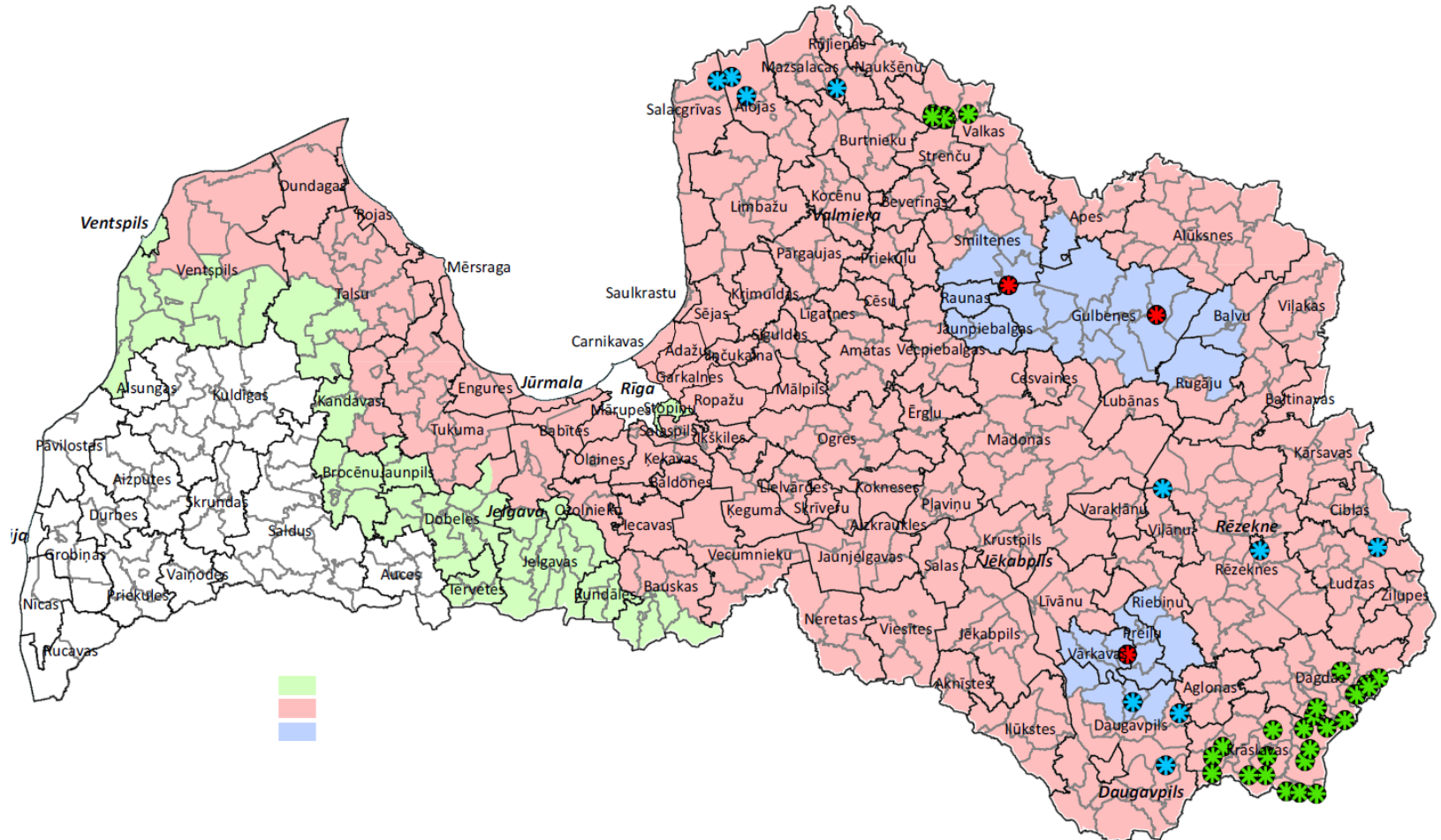
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ASF outbreaks in 2014/2015/2016



	2014	2015	2016 (28.11.)
Outbreaks	32	10	3
Affected pigs	564	213	311



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Biosecurity controls

No of holdings	holdings inspected	% of inspected	holdings with pigs	% of inspected with pigs	compliant holdings	% of compliant holdings
9767	9195	94%	5737	62%	5312	93%

Part I, II and III - 2 x
Free area – 1 x

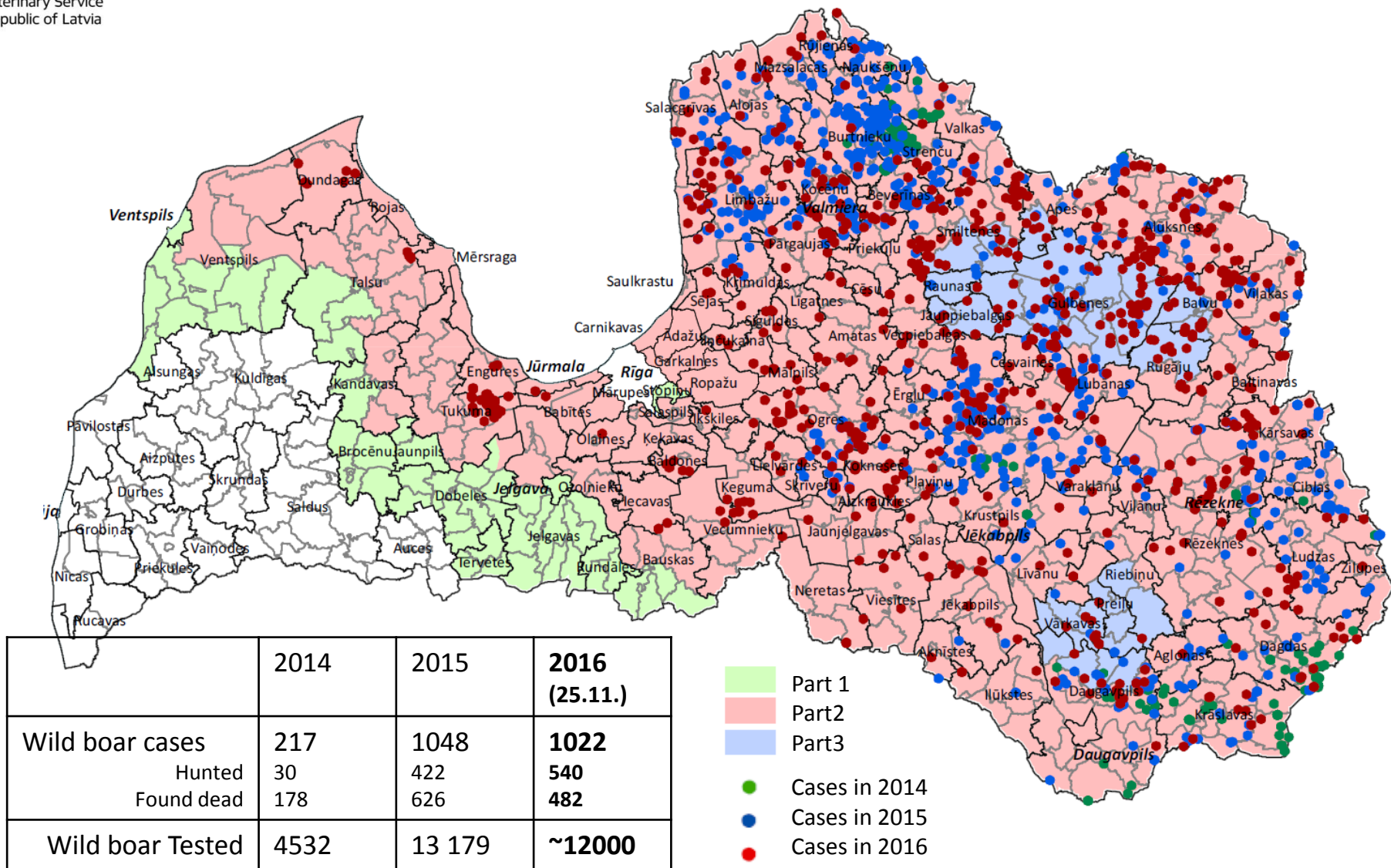
«Biosecurity rules» Order of the Cabinet
of Ministers No 291 (9.06.2015.)





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Wild boar cases 2014 – 2016 (24.11.)





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Preventive measures - WILD BOAR

Selective hunting

Targeted female hunting – in the frame of this activity since November 2015 till March 2016 **11 642** female wild boar were hunted.

Since September 2016 up to now ~**4500** female wild boar are hunted.



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Preventive measures - WILD BOAR

Feeding restriction

Winter feeding is restricted in all territory of Latvia (Regulation of Cabinet of Ministers is in place since December 10, 2014)

- Feeding directly on the ground is prohibited
- Use of feeders with dosage option only
- Restrictions on the amount of feed– 400 l to 1000ha





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Preventive measures - WILD BOAR

Removing and destroying of dead wild boars

All found dead wild boars are destroyed:

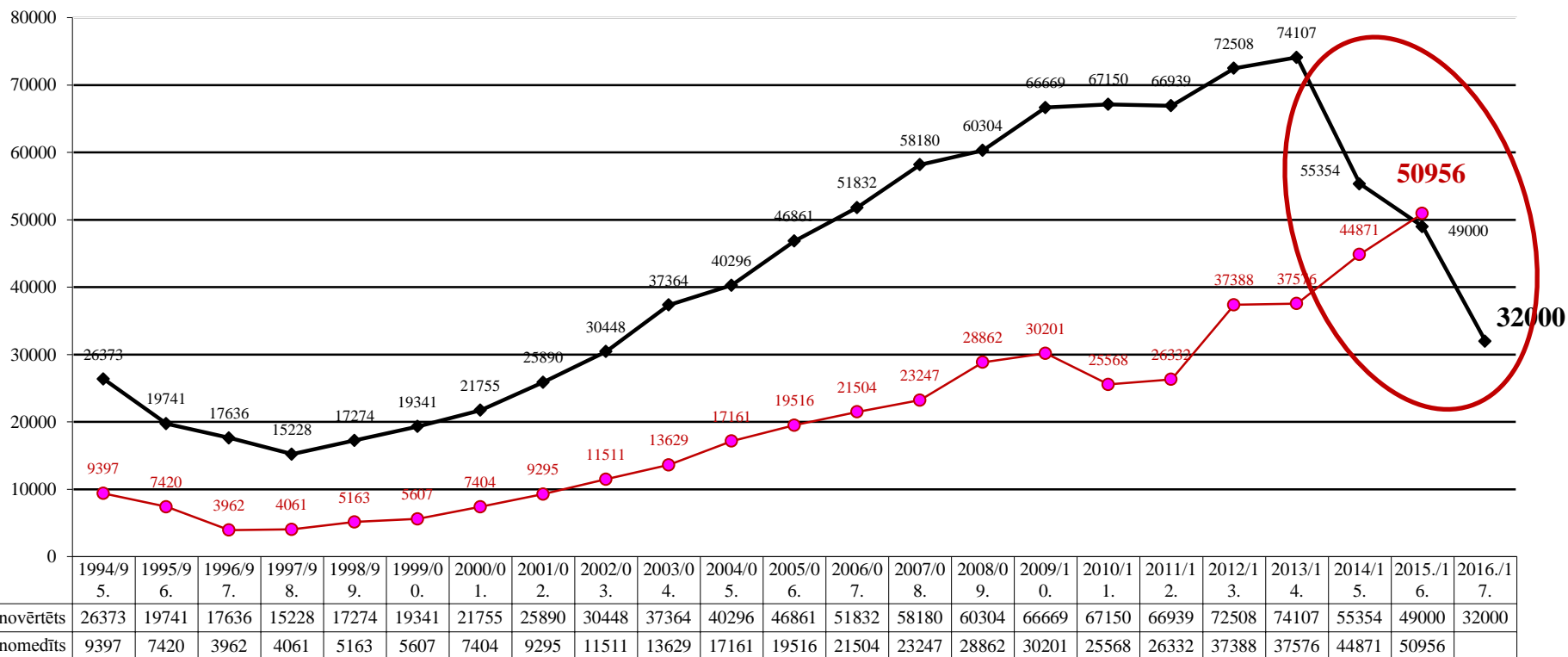
- 1) Buried in the forest or near by (payment 50 EUR)
- 2) Collected in container (payment 30 EUR)
- 3) Transported and destroyed in mobile incinerator unit





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Estimated and hunted number of wild boar

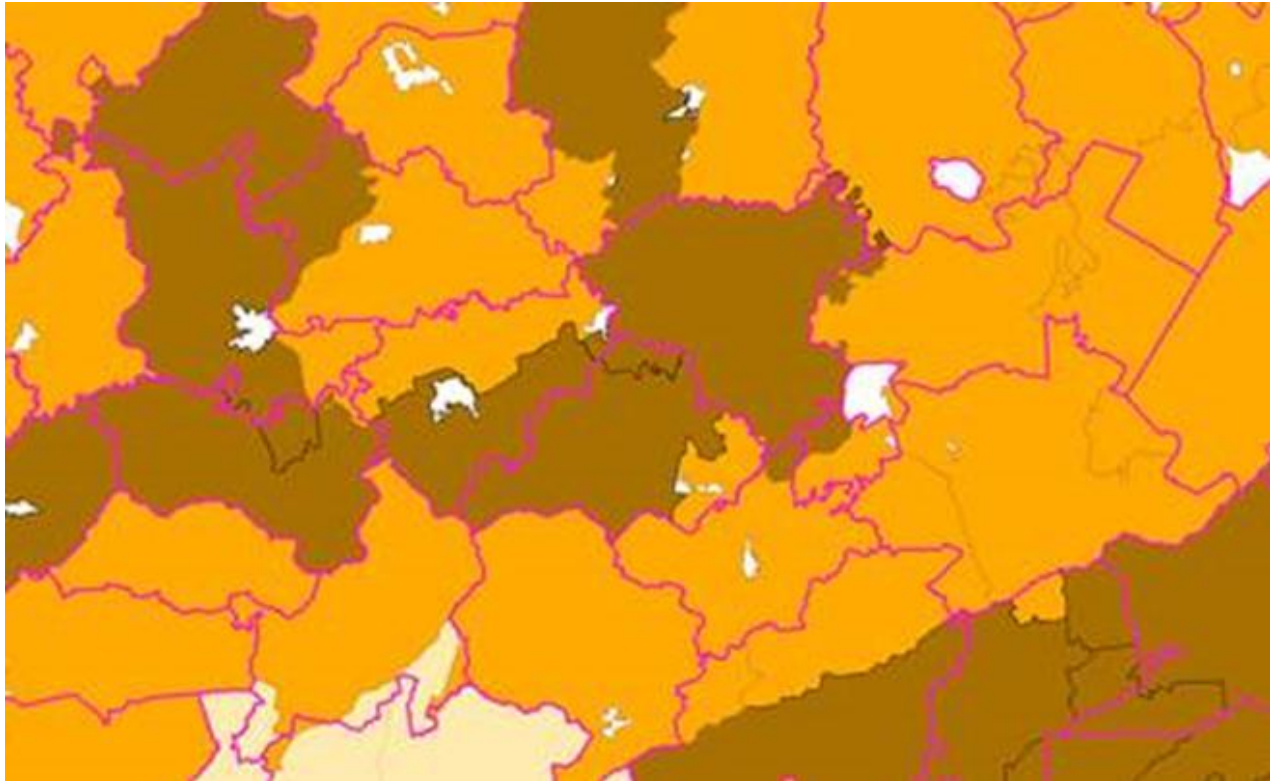




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Recommendation No 1.

An **improvement** in wildlife management is advisable. As an example, the administrative boundaries used by veterinary service and wildlife management units used by Forest Service mismatched, causing problems in the management of diseases and wildlife.

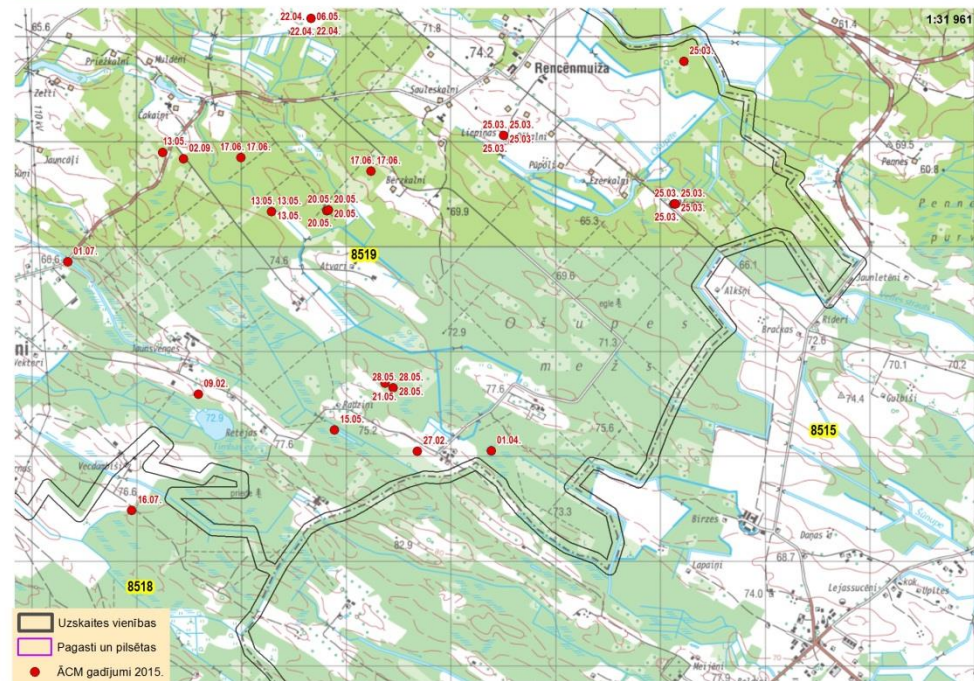
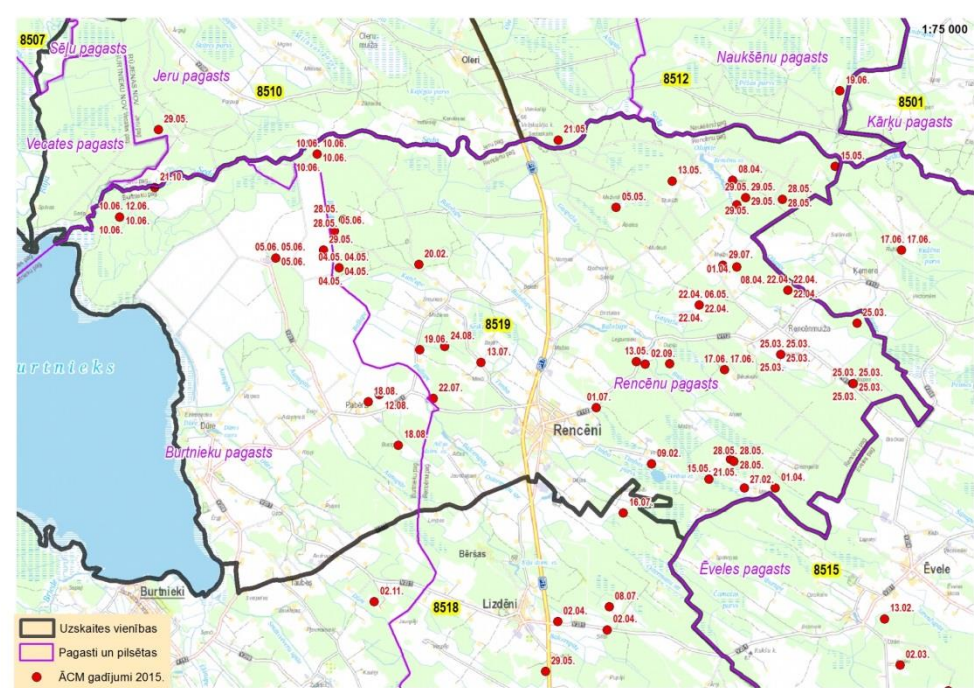




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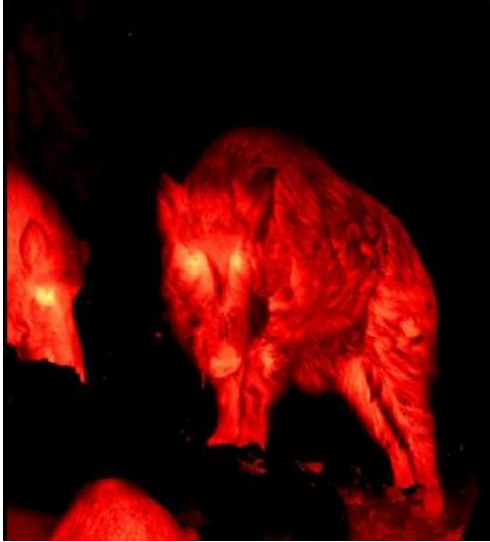
Borders of wildlife management
or counting units are established
on the natural borders (roads,
ditches, lakes, forest etc).

Mismatch of the borders
haven't any impact on the
disease eradication activities!





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Methodology how to estimate wild boar population become more important and could be improved.





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Recommendation No 2.

Offal of shot wild boar should be properly stored on the spot.

Offal should etc.:

1. buried on the place;
2. collected in the special place (pit or place) at the hunting ground.



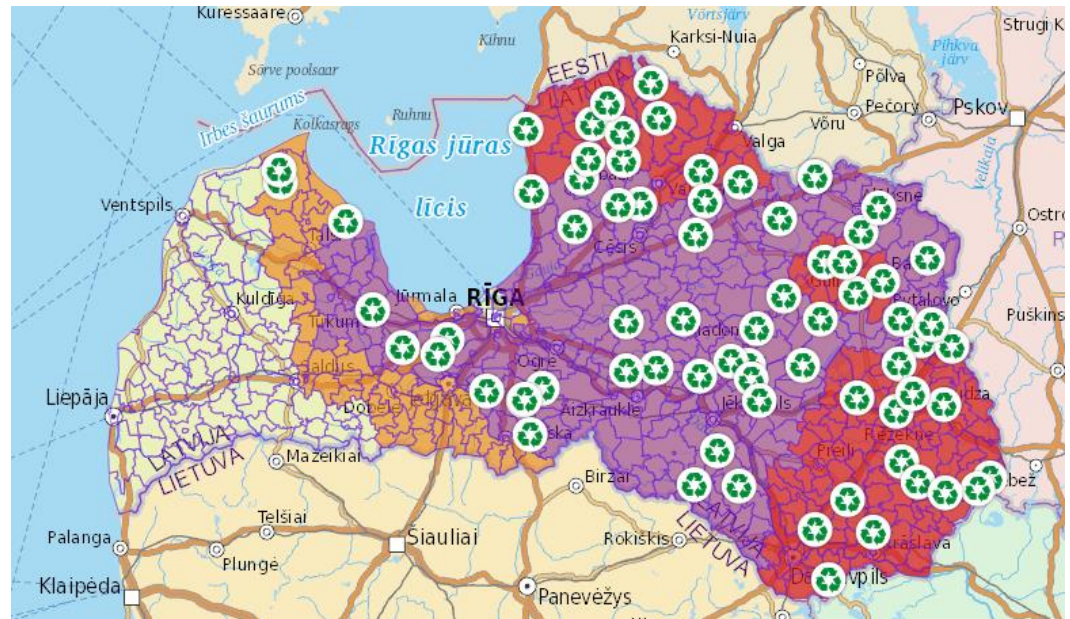


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3. Collected in wild boar byproduct containers.



- More than 70 places
available for hunters.
- Supervision, logistic
and disposal organized
by FVS.





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Thank you for your attention!